



UB Highlights

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News & Events for August 15-31, 2015

LATE BUT GREAT

Information on the following arrived too late for the August 1-15 Highlights issue, but here it is:

Welcome to Health Sciences Faculty Thursday, August 13, 10 a.m.

President Salonen will welcome the Health Sciences faculty to the 2015-16 academic year with an update and projections on the University's progress, in Room 104 of Mandeville Hall. The president will answer questions following his presentation.

Other Opening Events

For the full and updated schedule of faculty meetings and development sessions; orientation, registration, and advising; ELAB and placement exams; and other opening-event information, please visit the UB Portal.



President's Welcome to Staff

Monday, August 17, 11 a.m.

President *Neil Salonen* welcomes all University staff to the 2015-16 academic year and reports on the state of the University and projections for coming year, in 107 Dana. Following his presentation, the president will take questions.



President's Welcome to Faculty Thursday, August 20, 12:15 p.m.

President *Neil Salonen* will welcome all faculty to the 2015-16 academic year, presenting a report on the state of the University and his projections for the coming year. As always, the president will answer questions following his presentation. In 104 Mandeville.



Welcome Coffee House

Friday, August 21, 3:30-5 p.m.

Meet old friends and new over a cup of coffee in the Student Center Great Room. All faculty, staff, and students are invited to this free get-together.



Welcome BBQ

Sunday, August 23, 5 p.m.

The annual Welcome-Back BBQ and block party returns to the pedmall! Food and fun for faculty, staff, new and returning students, and their families. Don't miss this wonderful time to greet colleagues old and new and begin the 2015 fall semester.



Mandated Training

Wednesday, August 26, 12:20 p.m.

UB will conduct a two-hour training session on Sexual Harassment Awareness and Prevention, in compliance with State of Connecticut requirements. A second session will be held on September 9, 3-5 p.m. Please indicate your preferred session by emailing hr@bridgeport.edu, or call x4588 or x4304 with any questions. Light refreshments and beverages will be available.



UB Downtown

Thursday, August 27, 5 p.m.

University Relations invites all UB faculty and staff to relax and unwind for Kick-Off @ the Bijou, 275 Fairfield Avenue, in Bridgeport. (Free parking across the street.) Join your colleagues for complimentary hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar at the beautiful Bijou Theatre, followed by a 7 p.m. showing of "The Good Lie," a movie about Sudan's Lost Boys, featuring UB alumnus *Ger Duany '05*. RSVP required: register online at <http://give.bridgeport.edu/FacultyStaff2015> or contact Lindsey Christiani, lchristi@bridgeport.edu, or 203-576-4151.



Sammis Lecture Series

Monday, August 31, 5:30 p.m.

Dr. *Parris Chang*, noted authority on China and Northeast Asia, will present "China's Emergence as a Political and Economic Power – A View from Taiwan," in the duPont Tower Room. RSVP required: email lchristi@bridgeport.edu, or call 203-576-4151.

UB ACHIEVEMENTS & HONORS

STUDENTS & ALUMNI SASD

Priyama Barua, a third-year candidate for the Master of Professional Studies, Design Management, writes about her work at MadPow, a leading healthcare improvement firm, in Boston. She calls her experience there “The Quintessential Internship.” Read her blog at <http://www.madpow.com/insights/2015/7/the-quintessential-internship>.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Monday, August 17: Classes begin for Naturopathic, Chiropractic and Acupuncture students

Wednesday, August 19: Residence halls open for international students, orientation

Thursday, August 20: Residence halls open for new domestic students, orientation

Sunday, August 23: Residence halls open for returning students

Monday, August 24: Classes begin for graduate, undergraduate, IDEAL, and nursing students

Welcome Back Weekend

Alumni, students, families, faculty, staff, and friends of UB are invited to campus for the fun of Welcome Back Weekend, October 9-11. A reunion for UB alumni of the 1980s will be held October 10.

For all the details, visit <http://bridgeport.edu/newsevents/event/welcome-back-weekend-2015/?eID=1007> Early birds who register by August 31 will get a \$5 discount off the regular registration fee.

FACULTY & STAFF ACUPUNCTURE INSTITUTE

Jennifer Brett, director, and **Medeya Tsnobiladze**, assistant director of clinical education for the Physician Assistant Institute, have published “Patient Safety and Satisfaction with Electroacupuncture in a Teaching Clinic: A Survey of Interns and Patients,” in *HSOA Journal of Alternative, Complementary & Integrative Medicine*. See <http://www.heraldopenaccess.us/fulltext/Alternative-Complementary-&-Integrative-Medicine/Patient-Safety-and-Satisfaction-with-Electroacupuncture-in-a-Teaching-Clinic-A-Survey-of-Interns-and-Patients.php>

CHIROPRACTIC

James Lehman, associate professor of clinical sciences, recently returned from Sydney, Australia, where he lectured to chiropractic physicians with Dr. Anthony Nicholson of Chiropractic Development International. Dr. Lehman discussed causes of chronic pain, including statin myopathy and whiplash-associated disorders.

CPIA

Dave Benjamin, associate professor of global development, has been invited to serve as Human Rights Program chair for the 2016 International Studies Association (ISA) conference. He will oversee 56 academic panels on a wide variety of topics. He has also been chosen to serve on ISA’s International Law Section Book Award Committee for 2016.

ENGINEERING

Lawrence Hmurcik, professor of electrical engineering, and **Kris Seluga**, a mechanical engineer, were employed to investigate compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs), which have caused a number of house fires and killed at least one child. Many CFL lawsuits are in arbitration, and Seluga and Hmurcik were asked by the deceased child’s family to establish a recognizable pattern of CFL defects. They found too much heat is generated in the plastic base control unit, even though almost no heat is generated in the bulb itself; the plastic melts and burns. The investigators also noted that many people have switched from CFLs to LED bulbs, which are also efficient but much safer than CFLs.

Did we miss something? *UB Highlights* is published twice monthly during the academic year and monthly in January, June, and July to inform the University community about UB events and achievements. To comment or to list your event or award, e-mail Rebecca Salonen, UBHighlights@bridgeport.edu, or call x4988.